

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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v.

GREGORY J. BLOTNICK

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CRIM. NO. 21-796

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**ORDER REGARDING USE OF VIDEO CONFERENCING/TELECONFERENCING
FOR FELONY PLEAS AND/OR SENTENCINGS.**

In accordance with Standing Order 2020-06, this Court finds:



That the Defendant (or the Juvenile) has consented to the use of video teleconferencing/teleconferencing to conduct the proceeding(s) held today, after consultation with counsel; and



That the proceeding(s) to be held today cannot be further delayed without serious harm to the interests of justice, for the following specific reasons:

Risks related to the COVID-19 pandemic will unreasonably delay the hearing, will impact the interests of the government, the defendant, and the public in having a prompt hearing, and will otherwise cause serious harm to the interests of justice.

Accordingly, the proceeding(s) held on this date may be conducted by:



Video Teleconferencing



Teleconferencing, because video teleconferencing is not reasonably available for the following reason:



The Defendant (or the Juvenile) is detained at a facility lacking video teleconferencing capability.



Other:

SO ORDERED:



June 7, 2022

Hon. Brian R. Martinotti

United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey